

I am sending this comment on the BPL issue. I am a 10 year old extra class ham radio operator.

I do not understand all the technical stuff about how BPL interferes with amateur radio frequencies, but this I do know. Whenever my dad and other hams get together, like at our club meeting, all they talk about is BPL. Some of them believe this will be the beginning of the end if it is passed.

My dad is very worried. He knows a ham friend at his job who is going to quit the hobby if it is passed. My dad was going to buy a generator, and also a K2 radio kit for me. But now he says we need to wait because if the BPL is passed then we probably won't get them.

My dad went to New York after Sept. 11. So did his friend who is talking about quitting the hobby. And now our league, the ARRL, is associated with the Homeland Security. And hams everywhere help with all kinds of emergencies. My dad and his friends think that a lot of hams will just quit the hobby and then all the people who we help in emergencies will no longer have communications like we gave them in the past.

Even I can understand that's not a good thing.

Please do not be in favor of BPL.

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